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Dear Mr. Tobias:

On May 9, 2018, you filed 3 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests seeking the following:

First FOIA Request: OS-2018-01156: (request received on 5/9/18)

[A]ll written or electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by Michael Anderson, executive assistant to Katharine MacGregor, that contain one or more of the following words or phrases. "mining", "mountain top removal", "mountaintop removal", "MTR", "health impacts", "health risks", "surface mining", "National Academies" and/or "National Academy". This request seeks documents produced between June 1, 2017 and October 31, 2017.

Second FOIA Request: OS-2018-01157: (request received on 5/9/18)

[A]ll written or electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by Deputy Assistant Secretary Aurelia Skipwith, or her executive assistant, that contain one or more of the following words or phrases: "Endangered Species Act", "ESA", "endangered species", "threatened species", "migratory bird", "MBTA", "sage grouse", "Texas hornshell", "sagebrush lizard", "incidental take", "4(d) rule" and/or "4(d)". This request pertains to records produced between January 1, 2018 and the date this request is processed.

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Third FOIA Request: OS-2018-01158: (request received on 5/9/18)

[A]ll written or electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by Acting Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks Susan combs, or her executive assistant, that contain one or more of the following words or phrases: "Endangered species Act", "ESA", "endangered species", "threatened species", "sage grouse", "Texas hornshell", "sagebrush lizard", "incidental take", "4(d) rule" and/or "4(d)". This request pertains to records produced between April 1, 2018 and the date this request is processed.

Your requests were received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on May 9, 2018, consecutively and the assigned control numbers are as follows: **OS-2018-01156**; **OS-2018-01157**; **OS-2018-01158**. Please cite this numbers in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

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You can expect to hear from us promptly regarding the outcome of this search.

You have asked for copies of agency records. According to our regulations, you may choose the format of disclosure for such records. Unless you specify otherwise, the Office of the Secretary will provide copies of responsive records electronically via email or CD-ROM as scanned PDF images when the responsive records exceed 50 pages.

Because we will need to search for and collect requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request, we are taking a 10-workday extension under 43 C.F.R. § 2.19. For the same reason, we are placing your request under the "Complex" processing track. *See* 43 C.F.R. § 2.15.

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If you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by e-mail at os_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

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